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Application Docket No. 035718/193734

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Rao *et al.* Confirmation No.: 1892  
Appl. No.: 09/478,598 Group Art Unit: 1652  
Filed: January 6, 2002 Examiner: K. Kerr  
For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ALTERING AMINO  
ACID CONTENT OF PROTEINS

August 28, 2002

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification:

The above-identified application is a divisional application of U.S. Application No. 08/988,015, filed on December 10, 1997. Applicants submit herewith a paper copy of the sequence listing that was filed in U.S. Application No. 08/988,015, filed on December 10, 1997, for incorporation into the specification. Support for the sequence listing is found in the figures and the specification of the originally filed application. Therefore, no new matter has been added pursuant to 37 CFR §1.825(a).

**REMARKS**

In accordance with the invitation by the Examiner in a phone conference on July 5, 2002, Applicants herewith submit a Request for Continued Examination. The Examiner indicated in paper 13 that the amendment of March 29, 2002, had been entered and later indicated that the amendment would be considered upon submission of a Request for Continued Examination.

Also submitted herewith is a paper copy of the Sequence Listing that was filed in U.S. Application No. 08/988,015, filed on December 10, 1997, of which the present application is a divisional application. Applicants respectfully request that the Sequence Listing be incorporated into the specification. Support for the Sequence Listing is found in the figures and the

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| <b>REQUEST<br/>FOR<br/>CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)<br/>TRANSMITTAL</b><br><br>Address to:<br><b>BOX RCE</b><br><b>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b><br><b>WASHINGTON, DC 20231</b><br>(Revised 10/2001)   | Application Number 09/478,598 |
|  | Filing Date January 6, 2000   |
|  | First Named Inventor: Rao     |
|  | Art Unit: 1652                |
|  | Examiner Name: K. Kerr        |
| Attorney Docket No. 035718/193734  |                               |
| <b>This is a request for <u>Continued Examination (RCE)</u> under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.</b> |                               |

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1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendments(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavits(s)/Declarations(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); of cites listed on PTO Form 1449
- iv. ☒ Other: Request for Transfer of Computer Readable Form of Sequence Listing

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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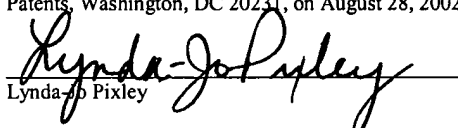
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- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)  
(\$740.00 large entity; \$370.00 small entity)
- ii. ☒ Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F. R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$740.00 enclosed

Respectfully submitted,



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| <b>Customer No. 29122</b><br><b>ALSTON &amp; BIRD LLP</b><br>Bank of America Plaza<br>101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000<br>Charlotte, NC 28280-4000<br>Tel Raleigh Office (919) 862-2200<br>Fax Raleigh Office (919) 862-2260 | <b>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</b><br><br>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Box RCE, Commissioner For Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on August 28, 2002.<br><br><br>Lynda Jo Pixley |
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